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Sir/Madam:

Applicant filed two Information Disclosure Statements (IDS's) accompanied by Forms PTO-1449 on April 6, 2001 and May 28, 2002. Such Information Disclosure Statements included copies of the noted references. Applicant has since received a Notice of Allowance dated March 19, 2004. To date, Applicant has not received notification that the references cited in the noted IDS's have been considered.

Applicant hereby requests that the Examiner initial and return the Forms PTO-1449 included with the Information Disclosure Statements of April 6, 2001 and May 28, 2002 or indicate in some other way that the references cited therein have been considered. Copies of the 1449's are included herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

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